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REMARKS

Claims 28-59 are pending in this application.

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 7, 2004, submitted herewith please find a corrected "Amendments to the claims" section of the Amendment filed on December 15, 2003.

In the subject Notice, the Examiner indicates that the "Amendments to the claims" section of the Amendment filed December 15, 2003, was non-compliant because claims 1-27 were not indicated as canceled. Accordingly, submitted herewith please find a compliant "Amendment to the claims" section, properly indicating claims 1-27 canceled.

Entry of the Amendment filed on December 15, 2003, as corrected, is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at her Washington, D.C. telephone number, on any questions that may arise.

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If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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